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Appellant has fully complied with the BPAI remand dated 6/27/07 by filing a compliant supplemental appeal brief dated 7/24/07. There are no changes needed to the Examiner's Answer dated 7/19/06 in view of the supplemental appeal brief filed 7/24/07. Accordingly, the Examiner's Answer dated 7/19/06 is still proper. The application is being forwarded to the BPAI for decision on appeal."

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